

HOME GOING
CELEBRATION FOR

SISTER

Ruth ANN
BUTLER

SUNRISE
NOVEMBER 29, 1951

SUNSET
JANUARY 3, 2013







Ruth's STORY

RUTH ANN BUTLER was born to the proud parents of John and Seeray Butler on November 29, 1951 in Jackson Mississippi. Ruth was the second oldest of nine children. In 1955 John and Seeray and their 3 small children moved to Berkeley California.

Ruth came to know Christ at a young age while attending Ebenezer Church of God in Christ located in Oakland, California under the pastorage of the late Pastor L.G. Germany. In 1965 the family attended Ephesians Church of God in Christ under the pastorage of the late Bishop E.E. Cleveland. Ruth loved to sing, so she joined the choir.

Ruth attended Lincoln Elementary, Burbank Junior High and graduated from Berkeley High School. In 1970 the family moved to Richmond, California where they attended McGlothen Temple Church of God in Christ under the pastorage of the late Bishop Clarence James Davis. Ruth was a choir member, one of the choir directors, part of the purity class and was in the Young Women Christian Council.

Ruth was employed with the Berkeley School District as a Food Service Clerk and as a Special Ed. Instructor Assistant. She worked at a 24 Hour Day Care in Oakland, Ca until she opened her own Day Care (Dimples Day Care). She loved children and working with children.


In 1978, **Ruth** gave birth to her handsome ten pound baby boy, DeShon Rayon Butler. Her baby boy was her joy. She was a proud parent. She took her baby everywhere. They travelled throughout the world. Ruth and her son were very happy together.

In 1982 **Ruth** pursued her education at Merritt College in Oakland California where she received her Associates of Arts Degree in Social and Behavioral Sciences. One Degree wasn't enough. In 1990 Ruth received another Associates of Arts Degree in Social and Behavioral Sciences.

Ruth lived in Berkeley, California for 40 years. Ruth didn't drive, but she knew every bus line there was to know. She enjoyed meeting people calling them her friend, sister or brother. Ruth was nice, sweet, kind and friendly to everyone she came in contact with. Ruth was not afraid to introduce herself to people and she has tons of pictures to prove it.

Ruth wanted to be an Actress. She loved attending the Black Film Festival held at the Paramount Theater in Oakland, California where she met celebrities from far and near. Ruth was a Photographer at heart. She enjoyed taking pictures of people and enjoyed being in the picture.





Ruth loved her family and friends, she loved to dress and have a good time. She enjoyed cooking, baking her famous peanut butter cookies, shopping, traveling, listening to music, singing, directing the choir and entertaining. Back in the day, she was a member of Northwest State Youth Choir under the direction of Joyce Sneed.

Ruth was a member of Love Fellowship Church of God in Christ under the pastorage of Pastor Samuel Butler. Ruth loved the Lord and was a woman of great faith she didn't let her sickness stop her from attending church, rain or shine. Ruth worked faithfully as Hospitality President, Choir President, Choir Director and Pastor Aide President. She did everything with a smile. She loved her brothers and sisters in the Lord and didn't mind serving them. She enjoyed attending Northwest Holy Convocation held at the Marriott Hotel in Oakland, California.

Ruth was so happy that her son went back to school to pursue his education in Music Production /Digital Media. She was overjoyed to be a grandmother of two. She would always talk about her grandbabies.

The Lord called Ruth home on January 3, 2013. Ruth was a fighter when it came to her sickness. She was a trooper to the very end. Her final days were spent at the hospital surrounded by her loving son and daughter-in-law, family and friends. Her son was right there at her bedside every day and night.

He took great care of his mother.

Ruth's Favorite Scripture:

Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ which Strengthens Me."

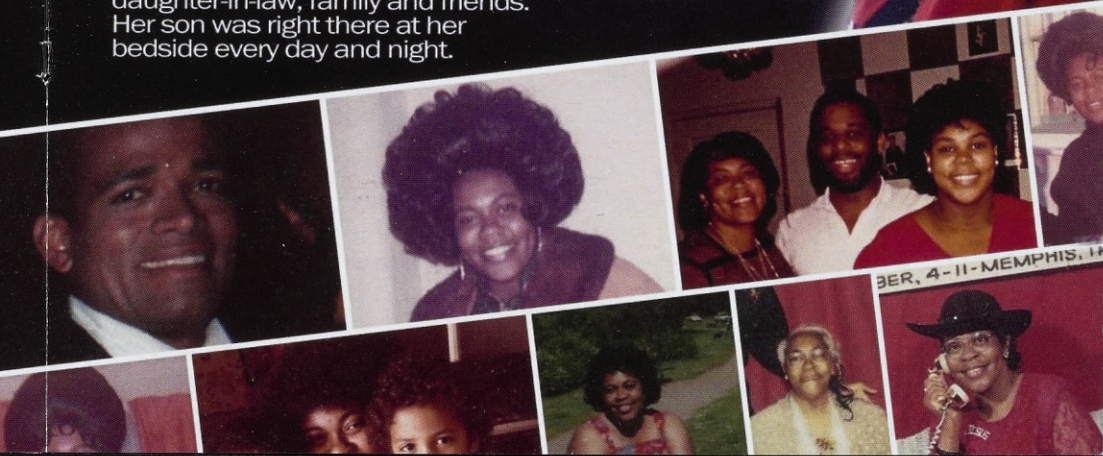
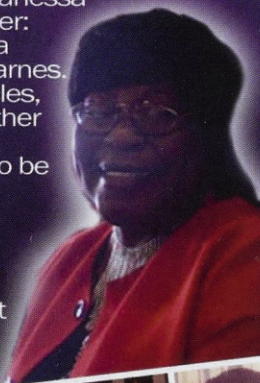
Ruth's Favorite Song:

I don't know what I would do without the Lord.

"To be absent from the body, Is to be present with the Lord"
Rest In Paradise, Sis

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Seeray Butler three brothers; Timothy, Johnny and Arthur Ray Butler.

She leaves to cherish her memories her devoted son DeShon Rayon Butler (Michelle) Daughter-in-Law, Brothers: James (Jillian) Butler; Samuel (Sheryl) Butler; Michael (Debbie) Butler; Sisters: Lorraine Butler; Beatrice (LaMar) Harris, Sr; Brother-In-Law: Two beautiful grandchildren: Devin and Dasia Butler. God sister: Vanessa McDaniel Godmother: Mother Lofton and a good friend Carol Barnes. A host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, other relatives and dear friends. She will also be missed by the Love Fellowship COGIC Church family, the Greater Richmond District, and the California Northwest Jurisdiction.



SISTER HOME GOING
CELEBRATION FOR

Ruth ANN BUTLER

Master of Ceremony
Senior Administrative Assistant John A Jennings

Musical Prelude

Pianist

Processional | **Clergy & Family**

Old Testament Scripture | **Elder Hollie Mcleod, Jr.**

New Testament Scripture | **Pastor Bruce Darden**

Selection | **Choir**

Expressions | **Pulpit Pastors and Elders**

Selection | **Pastor Bobby Lyons**

Expressions

**Mother Greta Moss, Missionary Joyce Sneed
and District Missionary Martha B. Hall**

Selection | **Brother Derrick Hughes**

Family & Friend Expressions

Lorraine Butler and James Butler

Musical Selection

Michael Butler & Friends and the Family

Acknowledgement & Condolences

Missionary Alicia Butler

Obituary & Resolution(s) | **Missionary Alicia Butler**

Special Selection | **First Lady Sheryl Butler**

Eulogy | **Pastor Samuel Butler**

Parting View | **Fullers Funeral**

Recessional | **Clergy & Family**

SERVICE HELD

Saturday January 12, 2013 10:00 AM
McGlothen Temple Church of God in Christ
Fred Jackson Way, Richmond, California 94801

HOST PASTOR:

Senior Administrative Assistant John A. Jennings

EULOGIST: Pastor Samuel Butler

ACTIVE PALLBEARERS

Eric Butler - JaMar Butler - LeJon Butler
Timothy Butler, Jr. - Cean Harris - Michael Wilson

HONORARY PALLBEARERS

DeShon Butler - James Butler - Samuel Butler
Michael Butler - LaMar Harris, Sr. - LaMar Harris Jr.
Euldrago Johnson - Levi Butler - JoVance Butler
Arthur Ray Butler, II - Joshua Butler - Hollie McLeod, Sr

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Family of Ruth Ann Butler would like to sincerely
thank all of you for your prayers and the outpouring of
love and support demonstrated at
such a difficult time as this.

REPAST

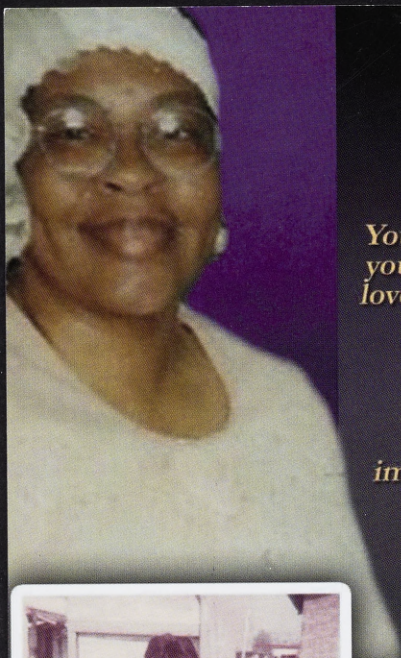
McGlothen Temple Fellowship Hall Richmond, California

INTERMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Rolling Hills Memorial Park - Garden of Harmony
4100 Hilltop Drive Richmond, California 94803

Programs Designed By:

Cynthia@Designed4Worship.com | Cynthia Chandler | 510.214.3431



*To My Mother
Dear Mom,*

You are such a beautiful person. I love how you would cook for me & give me so much love. You always had that loving personality and warm spirit about yourself.

Mom it has been such an honor and a pleasure being your son. You taught me so much about life and most importantly how to have faith in the Lord. Enjoy your rest and please save a seat for me next to you.

Love You Always
Your One and Only "D"

